

## **WISCONSIN WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Weatherization Assistance Program helps homeowners and renters reduce energy consumption while increasing comfort in their homes. Weatherization improvements may also make your home environment healthier and safer. Improvements are installed by the local weatherization agency in your area.

If your residence qualifies for weatherization services, you may receive one or more of the following energy efficiency measures:

### **Insulation**

Adding insulation to the attic, walls, and crawlspace helps reduce energy use and increase comfort.

### **Sealing Air Leaks**

Sealing air leaks reduces cold drafts caused by gaps or cracks in the home's structure and may improve indoor air quality.

### **Heating System Update**

Repairing or replacing an inefficient furnace or boiler will save energy and money.

### **Energy-Saving Products**

Installing water-saving faucet aerators and shower heads and ENERGY STAR® light bulbs will reduce your energy needs. Replacing an old refrigerator or freezer with a new ENERGY STAR qualified model will also save energy.



### **Energy Saving Tip:**

Change the furnace filter each month. The dirtier they are, the harder the furnace fan works.

**TO APPLY FOR ENERGY AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL AGENCY**

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

or to locate your local agency call toll free  
1-866-HEATWIS (432-8947)  
or visit [homeenergyplus.wi.gov](http://homeenergyplus.wi.gov)

### **OTHER RESOURCES FOR ENERGY AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE**

Focus on Energy  
1-800-762-7077  
[www.focusonenergy.com](http://www.focusonenergy.com)

Keep Wisconsin Warm/Cool Fund  
Bill Pay Assistance  
1-800-891-WARM (9276)  
[www.kwwf.org](http://www.kwwf.org)



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## **ENERGY AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE 2017-2018**



"Thank you very much for this service....It has made my house snug. No more condensation on the ceilings that dripped down the walls and got moldy in the corners. I have recommended that my neighbor lady check into the services."

**- Recipient of Home Energy Plus Assistance**

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## WHAT IS *homeenergy+*

Home Energy Plus includes the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). WHEAP provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. WAP helps renters and homeowners reduce their energy consumption. Operating with federal and state funding, the programs provide energy assistance payments to over 211,000 households and weatherization services to over 6,000 households in Wisconsin each year.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE?

Your household may be eligible for the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) based on a number of factors. If your household gross income is less than the amount shown on the following chart, you may be eligible for a benefit or services. Applications for both programs are accepted at your local WHEAP agency.

Household Size	Three Month	Annual Income
1	\$6,650.25	\$26,601
2	\$8,696.25	\$34,785
3	\$10,742.50	\$42,970
4	\$12,788.75	\$51,155
5	\$14,835.00	\$59,340
6	\$16,881.25	\$67,525
7	\$17,264.75	\$69,059
8	\$17,648.50	\$70,594

The Home Energy Plus Program uses a previous three month income test which is annualized to determine program income eligibility.

Income for people who are self-employed, farmers, or seasonal workers is based on federal income tax forms for the previous year.



#### Energy Saving Tip:

Don't use propane, gas or kerosene space heaters and never use an oven or stove to heat your home.

### WHAT IS THE WISCONSIN HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HOW DOES IT WORK?

WHEAP assistance is a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15). The funding pays a portion of energy costs, but the payment is not intended to cover the entire energy costs of a residence. The amount of the energy assistance payment varies depending on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and energy costs. In most cases the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to the household's energy supplier.

### WHAT TYPES OF FUEL ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE?

Whether you use wood, propane, natural gas, electricity, or fuel oil to heat your home, if you qualify, energy assistance is available. Your household may also be eligible to receive a payment for non-heating electric energy costs through funding provided by Wisconsin's Public Benefits Program.

### IF YOU CURRENTLY DO NOT HAVE HEAT OR MAY BE DISCONNECTED

Crisis assistance is available if you have no heat, have received a disconnect notice from the vendor, or are nearly out of fuel and are unable to purchase more. WHEAP agencies provide a 24-hour crisis phone number to help with emergencies that occur after business hours.

Non-emergency/Proactive crisis services include providing information on how to reduce fuel costs, counseling on budgeting and money management, payments to a fuel supplier, and co-pay agreements.

### FURNACE/BOILER REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT

WHEAP emergency heating system assistance can provide services to eligible homeowners if the furnace or boiler stops operating. Heating system assistance includes payment for repairs or in some situations your residence may qualify for a total replacement of a non-operating system. Call your local WHEAP agency immediately if you are experiencing a no heat situation.



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